

VZCZCXYZ0003  
OO RUEHWEB

DE RUEHBK #2460 2280848  
ZNR UUUUU ZZH  
O 150848Z AUG 08  
FM AMEMBASSY BANGKOK  
TO RUEHC/SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 4017  
RUEKJCS/SECDEF WASHINGTON DC IMMEDIATE  
RUEKJCS/CJCS WASHDC IMMEDIATE  
RUWGTC/JIATF WEST //J3// IMMEDIATE  
RHHMUNA/HQ USPACOM HONOLULU HI//JC/J3/J4/J5// IMMEDIATE  
RHHMUNS/COMSOPAC HONOLULU HI//SOJ3// IMMEDIATE

UNCLAS BANGKOK 002460

SIPDIS

STATE FOR EAP/MLS, L/EAP, L/PM, PM/ISO, INR AND DRL  
PACOM FOR FPA CHRISTY, JIATF/WEST FOR COMMANDER BUSCH

E.O. 12958: N/A

TAGS: [MASS](#) [MARR](#) [MOPS](#) [PREL](#) [PHUM](#) [TH](#)

SUBJECT: THAILAND EMBASSY/STATE DEPARTMENT HUMAN RIGHTS

VETTING FOR: JUSMAG - JCET BALACE TORCH 09-1, THAILAND, OCTOBER 08  
- NOVEMBER 20, 2008, 2008

REF: A. JUSMAG/THAI MEMOS DATED AUGUST 13, 2008

[B](#). 05 STATE 021314 - GUIDANCE

[C](#). 03 STATE 34981 - GUIDANCE

[1](#). (U) This is an action request for human rights  
verification required by the Leahy Amendment; see Para. 2.

[2](#). (U) JUSMAG THAI has requested that the Embassy/State  
Department complete human rights vetting request for units and  
commanders listed below, which have been selected to attend the  
course scheduled below. Embassy Bangkok possesses no credible  
information at this time of gross violations of human rights by  
these units and these commanders. Embassy Bangkok Political  
Officer, Melissa G. Carlson, is the verifying officer for the  
Embassy/Department of State.

JUSMAGTHAI is requesting HRV of this unit no later than 09 September  
2008 in order to meet Department of State Joint Staff, SOCOM, SOCPAC  
and First Special Forces Group (Airborne) administrative  
requirements.

COURSE:

JCET Balance Torch 09-1, Thailand, October 08 - November 09, 2008.

PARTICIPANTS:

[1](#). Col. Krit Pewnguen, 3 Infantry Regiment Commander, Royal Thai  
Army 2nd Army Area, DPOB: March 03, 1958; Ubonrachatani, TH.

[2](#). Col. Patarapol Raksanakorn, 8 Infantry Regiment Commander, Royal  
Thai Army 2nd Army Area, DPOB: October 03, 1955; Bangkok, TH.

[3](#). Col. Attasit Chotirat, 13 Infantry Regiment Commander, Royal  
Thai Army 2nd Army Area, DPOB: October 12, 1958; Bangkok, TH.

[4](#). Col. Tanakorn Jongootsa, 3 Artillery Regiment Commander, Royal  
Thai Army 2nd Army Area, DPOB: February 20, 1966; Korat, TH.

[5](#). Ltc. Chakrit Sanitpuang, 2-13 Infantry Battalion Commander,  
Royal Thai Army 2nd Army Area, DPOB: April 20, 1969; Prajeenburi,  
TH.

[6](#). Cpt. Rewat Tammajiradech, 3 Long Range Reconnaissance Patrol  
Company Commander, Royal Thai Army 2nd Army Area, DPOB: October 14,  
1976; Korat, TH.

[7](#). Col. Juladech Jitavil, 6 Infantry Regiment Commander, Royal Thai  
Army 2nd Army Area, DPOB: May 30, 1954; Lopburi, TH.

[8](#). Col. Nirut Ketsiri, 16 Infantry Regiment Commander, Royal Thai

Army 2nd Army Area, DPOB: September 25, 1957; Surin, TH.

¶9. Col. Tarakorn Tammawintorn, 23 Infantry Regiment Commander, Royal Thai Army 2nd Army Area, DPOB: September 25, 1959; Prajeenburi, TH.

¶10. Ltc. Pornchai Malin, 21 Cavalry Battalion Commander, Royal Thai Army 2nd Army Area, DPOB: September 24, 1965; Udontanee, TH.

¶11. Krisada Muangmanee, 6 Cavalry Company Commander, Royal Thai Army 2nd Army Area, DPOB: May 06, 1977; Bangkok, TH.

¶12. Ltc. Kitticha Techarotjanant, 6 Medical Battalion Commander, Royal Thai Army 2nd Army Area, DPOB: September 06, 1971; Nontburi, TH.

¶13. Cpt. Boonsong Promnil, 6 Long Range Reconnaissance Patrol Company Commander, Royal Thai Army 2nd Army Area, DPOB: April 13, 1972; Korat, TH.

¶14. Col. Chatchai Mamueng, Hospital Director, Royal Thai Army 2nd Army Area, DPOB: November 23, 1957; Samutprakarn, TH.

¶15. Ltc. Indhanondh Ratanakarn, 1 Battalion, Third Special Force Regiment, Royal Thai Army 2nd Army Area, DPOB: May 26, 1972; Bangkok, TH.

ENTWISTLE